

# **MARICOPA COUNTY HEALTH CODE**

## **CHAPTER VI**

### **BATHING PLACES - PUBLIC AND SEMIPUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS**

#### **SECTION 8**

##### **WADING POOLS**

In addition to complying with the regulations in Section 1 through 7 of the Chapter, wading pools shall comply with the following regulations.

##### **REGULATION 1. Public**

In public bathing places, wading pools shall be separated from swimming pools by a minimum 4 foot high fence or partition with self-closing, self-latching gate to prevent the direct entrance of waders into the swimming pool area.

##### **REGULATION 2. Semipublic**

Wading pools shall be separated from semi-public swimming pools by a minimum of four feet of walkway.

##### **REGULATION 3. Depth**

Wading pools shall have a maximum depth of 20 inches, the slope of the bottom shall not exceed one foot in 12 feet, and a non-slip surface shall be provided.

##### **REGULATION 4. Circulation**

Wading pools shall have a maximum turnover cycle of one hour. All wading pools must have separate equipment for water recirculation and disinfection and there shall be no cross-connection between a wading pool and any other pool. A main drain waste outlet shall be provided at the deepest point in a wading pool. Skimmers shall be provided on the basis of at least one skimmer for each 200 square feet of wading pool surface area. Skimmer flow rates shall be the same as required for swimming pools. Where only one skimmer is provided, the main drain may be connected through the skimmer. Inlets shall be provided on a basis of at least one for each 15 feet of periphery. Where three or more inlets are required, they shall be on a closed loop piping system. Gaseous chlorine shall not be used for disinfection of wading pool water.

##### **REGULATION 5. Drinking Fountains**

A sanitary drinking fountain at a height convenient to small children shall be provided at one side or end of the area. Alternately, a fountain with a raised step, to enable small children to drink without assistance, may be provided.

